

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (currently amended). An apparatus that labels one of Apparatus for labelling a sound [[or]] and a representation thereof, the apparatus comprising a sound generator that generates capable of generating a family of sounds by selection of values of parameters of a sound model, at least some parameter values being associated with descriptive labels providing a content-related description of one of said generated sound and representation thereof, whereby selection of the value said parameter values automatically selects [[the]] a corresponding label that identifies said one of said generated sound and representation thereof.

2 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein [[the]] values of each parameter are divided into a plurality of ranges, [[the]] said labels being associated with respective ranges.

3 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein [[the]] value labels are combined with a model label indicating [[the]] an identity of the model.

4 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein the value and model labels are combined in a grammatical or semi-grammatical structure.

5 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 4, wherein [[the]] value labels qualify [[the]] said model label.

6 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein [[the]] said value labels and said model labels are combined using a template defining how the labels are combined.

7 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein [[the]] said template specifies [[the]] a relative position of each label.

8 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein [[the]] said template specifies text to be used between labels.

9 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein [[the]] said template includes conditional statements for inclusion of at least one of a label [[and/or]] and text.

10 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein [[the]] said parameters include values not associated with any label.

11 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 10, wherein said values not associated with any label include values for which [[the]] said parameter has one of little [[or]] and no effect on [[the]] generated sound.

12 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein [[the]] one of said sound [[or]] and representation thereof ~~is in the form of~~ comprises a digital audio file.

13 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein [[the]] one of said sound [[or]] and representation thereof ~~is in the form of~~ comprises an analog audio file.

14 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein

[[the]] one of said sound [[or]] and representation thereof ~~in the form of~~ comprises control codes for a synthesizer.

15 (currently amended). The apparatus of Apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein [[the]] one of said sound [[or]] and representation thereof ~~is in the form of the~~ comprises selected parameter values for the sound model.

16 (currently amended). A method of labelling one of a sound [[or]] and a representation thereof, comprising the steps of: selecting a sound by selection of values of parameters of a sound model, at least some parameter values being associated with descriptive labels that provide a content-related description of the selected sound, whereby selection of a value automatically selects a corresponding label that identifies the selected sound, generating one of the sound [[or]] and a representation as a file and associating the file with the corresponding label.

17 (new). The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said selected corresponding label is associated with said sound it is describing.

18 (new). The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said selected corresponding label is tagged to said sound it is describing.

19 (new). The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said selected corresponding label is attached to a time location in a media containing said sound.